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SUBJECT: GERMAN NATIONAL ELIZABETH KASEMANN
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THE IDENTITY OF 12 OF THE 16 SUBVERSIVES ALLEGEDLY KILLED IN A SURPRISE RAID AND SHOOTOUT WITH SECURITY FORCES IN MONTE GRANDE MAY 27 WAS RELEASED IN AN ARMY COMMUNIQUE PUBLISHED JUNE 2 (SEE SEPTTEL.) LISTED AMONG THE VICTIMS WAS ONE ISABEL KASERMAN WHO WAS IDENTIFIED AS A FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL. FGR EMBASSY HAS IDENTIFIED VICTIM AS ELIZABETH KASEMANN, A GERMAN NATIONAL WHO WAS REPORTEDLY ABDUCTED AND DISAPPEARED ON MARCH 8 (SEE REFTTEL). COMMENT: THE IDENTIFICATION OF MS. KASEMANN AS THE FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVE TO A HIGH LEVEL MEETING OF SUBVERSIVES BROKEN UP BY SECURITY FORCES IS DIFFICULT TO RECONCILE WITH EARLIER REPORTS OF HER ABDUCTION BY PERSONS CLAIMING TO BE SECURITY FORCES THREE MONTHS EARLIER. IF SHE HAD BEEN IN THE HANDS OF AUTHORITIES PREVIOUS TO THE MONTE GRANDE RAID, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HER NAME COULD HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE LIST OF VICTIMS IN ORDER TO DISCOURAGE FURTHER PROBES BY THE WEST GERMAN EMBASSY INTO THIS CASE. EMBASSY ATTEMPTING TO CONTACT WEST GERMAN EMBASSY FOR MORE INFORMATION.
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